

HB 1236 -- THIRD-PARTY CANDIDATES

SPONSOR: Entlicher

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Elections by a vote of 10 to 0.

This bill changes the laws regarding the Fair Ballot Access Act by repealing the provision which requires a petition to form a new political party to contain the name of a qualified resident of each Congressional district to serve as a nominee for presidential elector and instead requires the information to be provided at the time a candidate files for office.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2013, FY 2014, and FY 2015.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill corrects the ballot access process for a third-party candidate.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Entlicher.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.